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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$320.00 for payment of the Notice of Appeal, and any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Davis Munck - PageMart Deposit Account No. 50-0302.

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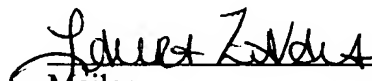
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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Steven Terranova on July 7, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 125 was amended as follows:

An apparatus for receiving a signal comprising a unique machine identifier and a total number of said selected goods dispensed for each of said plurality of supply columns in a vending machine, comprising:

a remote processing center that receives the signal;

said remote processing center coupled to a memory that contains at least one user parameter for the vending machine wherein said remote processing center is adapted to access said at least one user parameter for the vending machine.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The above changes to claim 125 have been made to avoid a possible rejection under 35 USC 102(e) over Ostendorf et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,924,081.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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